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SUBJECT: VISIT US SOLAR EXPERTS TO JAPAN

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1. SCICOUNS AND ERDA SCIREP MET WITH TAKEDA, ESAKI AND KOBAYASHI, AIST, MITI RE PROPOSAL THAT US ERDA SOLAR ENERGY EXPERTS VISIT JAPAN TO DETERMINE SCOPE AND MAGNITUDE SOLAR ENERGY PROGRAMS LISTED IN REFTEL.
2. AIST CORDIALLY RECEPTIVE TO PROPOSAL AND AGREED TO DRAFT DETAILED SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED SERIES VISITS TO SIGNIFICANT SITES CONDUCTING WORK OF POSSIBLE INTEREST TO US RDA SOLAR TEAM. PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF VISIT TO DEVELOP FAMILIARITY WITH SOLAR R&D IN JAPAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING WHETHER AN EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND BENEFICIAL AND IF SO WHAT SCOPE SHOULD BE.
3. AIST REPS AGREED TO PREPARE IN ONE TO TWO WEEKS ITINERARY FOR US TEAM INCLUDING:
 - A. RECOMMENDED TIMING OF VISIT TO JAPAN.
 - B. IDENTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATE SITES FOR TEAM VISIT, BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE TYPE OF WORK BEING CONDUCTED AT EACH SITE AND DETAILED SCHEDULE FOR TEAM VISITS.

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RM SCICOUNS AND SCIREP ASUME THAT SELECTION ERDA TEAM
WILL BE, AT LEAST TO SOME DEGREE, BASED UPON THE SITES TO BE
VISITED. THEY ALSO PLAN ON MEETING AFTER CONCLUSION OF
SITE VISITS TO EXPLORE TEAM ATTITUDE TOWARD SOLAR EXCHANGE
AGREEMENT AND IDENTIFICATION OF MOST SIGNIFICANT TECHNICAL
AREAS FOR INCLUSION.

5. EMBOFFS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT VISIT OF US EXPERTS WOULD ASSIST
BOTH COUNTRIES IN PREPARING FOR FUTURE IEA ENERGY R&D SUBGROUP
MEETINGS, IN SENSE THAT US AND JAPAN WOULD PRESENT MORECHOESIVE
POSITION ON SOLAR ENERGY.
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